

**BLOW FALLS;
BRIAND OUT****Resignation is Accepted by
President Fallieres To-day****IS TIRED OF BICKERING****This Afternoon Briand and His Cabinet
Met with the French President, Fol-
lowed by the Announcement
of Their Retirement.**

Paris, Feb. 27.—Premier Aristide Briand, who succeeded Clemenceau as head of the French cabinet in 1909, to-day tendered the resignation of his ministers to President Fallieres. This afternoon his cabinet met at the Elysee palace with President Fallieres and soon afterwards the announcement of its retirement was made. It was announced later that President Fallieres had accepted the resignation of the cabinet. The premier declares himself weary of the bickering of parliament and the intrigues of groups nominally supporting him and expressed the wish that he might be relieved of the responsibilities of government.

On Friday night the premier was attacked on the grounds that he had not enforced the laws against the congressmen, as set forth in the separation act, the government escaping censure by the slim majority of sixteen votes. At the conference Saturday, the ministers determined to resign to-day.

Leon Bourgeois, ex-president and ex-minister of foreign affairs, Raymond Poincare, ex-minister of finance, Theophile Delcasse, ex-foreign minister, and ex-premier Emile Combes, are among the names mentioned, although it is understood that M. Delcasse is personally not liked by the president of the republic.

The decision of the ministry to withdraw created a great political sensation. The conservative newspapers are sounding a note of alarm. They declare that the forces of extreme radicalism are triumphing over sane and progressive reform, regarding the clerical issue, which was raised Friday, as a mere pretext to attain Briand's downfall.

They point out that it is ridiculous to accuse the man who constructed the separation law of clericalism, and now that the church and state are completely divorced M. Briand has been merely following out a personal program of "appeasement."

DECISION UNFAIR, THEY SAID.
Meeting of the B. and M. Railway Employees in Boston.

Boston, Feb. 27.—The interstate commerce commission has announced a decision denying the railroads permission to increase freight rates, "was formally declared at the annual meeting last night of the Boston and Maine railroad system board of adjustment and arbitration of the Brotherhood of Railroad Station Employees. Twenty-eight cities and towns of New England were represented at the meeting.

The resolution further declared that "as transportation is the only source from which the railroads derive a revenue which will allow them to properly operate the roads and maintain fair and just working conditions and wages for their employees, as well as good service to the public the action of the commission was to be deplored as at least short sighted."

**MAN WAS KILLED
IN CAR WRECK****Wreck at Jennings, Kansas, on the Rock
Island R. R. To-day—One Other
Was Injured.**

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 27.—According to an announcement made from the office of the superintendent of the western division of the Rock Island railroad, one emigrant was killed and another was injured in a freight wreck at Jennings, Kansas, this morning. The emigrant and his family were traveling in a car with their household goods.

CHILD DIES OF SCALDS.
Mary Maria Reaches East Boston Relief Hospital Too Late.

Boston, Feb. 27.—Mary Marie, 2½-year-old daughter of Gabriel and Marie Maria, of 91 Marginal street, East Boston, died yesterday at the East Boston Relief hospital as a result of being scalded in a tub of suds Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Maria was washing clothes at 42 Cottage street, East Boston, when as her back was turned the child climbed to the edge of the tub, lost her balance and tumbled in. She was taken to her home, where such remedies as the parents know were applied.

It was not until yesterday morning that the girl was taken to the hospital, and then the physicians were able to do little.

STATE CONVENTIONS NOT USEFUL
Said Candidate for Governor, in Presenting Direct Nominations Bill.

Boston, Feb. 27.—The subject of direct nominations was one of the features of the legislative hearing today, with Speaker Joseph Walker's bill for the selection of all candidates from the governor to the members of the legislature as the principle one under consideration by the committee on election laws.

Speaker Walker, who is an avowed candidate for governor next fall, told the committee that the state conventions no longer performed a useful function.

**VERDICT OF GUILTY
AGAINST COUPLE****Was Returned Yesterday In Murder
Trial at Plymouth, Mass.—Jury
Was Out All Night.**

Plymouth, Mass., Feb. 27.—After an entire night of deliberation, a jury brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree yesterday against both Mrs. Lena Cusumano and Enrico Mascioli of Hull, for the death of the woman's husband, Frank Cusumano at Hull last fall.

Both defendants heard their fate announced without emotion and aside from a little scene at the parting of Mrs. Cusumano with her aged mother, who had remained in the court room since early Saturday morning they presented an unmoved front to the curious crowd of their fellow countrymen.

The case went to the jury at four o'clock Saturday afternoon. After a single ballot had been taken the jury returned to the court room at 8 p. m. for instructions as to whether they could properly consider a verdict other than first degree murder.

Judge Scheffed instructed the jury that the evidence must decide the question. Again at 5 o'clock Sunday morning the jury returned to the court for instructions as to bringing in a verdict of first degree murder in one case and of second degree in the other. The court replied that if the evidence so warranted, a verdict of first and second degree murder could be brought in. Then followed an hour and forty minutes of further deliberation, after which the jury made its report, finding both defendants guilty of murder in the first degree.

The two prisoners then were taken back to the jail and the court adjourned. Counsel for the defense stated that the case will be taken to the supreme court on exceptions. A long fight is expected.

The large number of Italians, fellow countrymen of the defendants, who had followed the trial, remained in the court room throughout the night and watched with morbid interest the faces of the doomed man and woman when Francis White uttered the brief sentence, "Guilty of murder in the first degree" against each defendant. The quiet of the small room was unbroken when the words were pronounced.

Mrs. Cusumano is the first woman convicted in Plymouth county of murder in the first degree in the last twenty-five years. The trial is said to be the longest for a capital offense on the books of the county.

The body of Frank Cusumano was found, wrapped in a bed quilt, on the beach at Hull last September. The body was bound with telephone wire and the face and skull were badly bruised. Investigations resulted in the arrest of Lena Cusumano, wife of the murdered man, and of Enrico Mascioli, a boarder at the Cusumano home.

**700 MEN AND GIRLS
OUT ON STRIKE****Cut in Wages on Piece Work Hastened
Strike Among Employees of Kal-
amazoo Corset Co. Women**

Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 27.—Seven hundred men and girls, employees of the Kalamazoo Corset company, struck to-day. A cut from one to three cents per dozen on piece work precipitated the strike. The women strikers paraded the streets during the day.

IMPOSING MILITARY FUNERAL.
All Important Personages of Paris Did
Honor to Late Minister of War.

Paris, Feb. 27.—An imposing military funeral for General Brun, late minister of war, was held here to-day, the entire garrison of Paris participating. President Fallieres, his cabinet, the diplomatic corps, members of parliament and those distinguished in every walk of life assembled in the grand saloon of the ministry of war, which was transformed into a mortuary chapel. Premier Briand, in behalf of the government, paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of the deceased.

NEWSPAPER BURNED OUT
And Cornell University Publications Lost
Also.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 27.—The plant of the Ithaca Chronicle and Democrat, one of the oldest weekly papers in this part of the state, was burned out at an early hour Sunday morning, entailing a loss of about \$10,000. The Chronicle was the publishers of the Cornell Daily Sun and other student and university publications. The machinery is a complete loss.

CREW FROZEN TO DEATH.
Derelict Discovered in Caspian Sea, Ship
Mass of Ice, Thirty Perished.

London, Feb. 27.—A news dispatch from Odessa to-day says that a tragedy of the seas has been revealed by the discovery in the Caspian sea, a few miles off the coast of Astrakhan, of a derelict vessel, the whole crew of which, numbering thirty, was frozen to death. The ship was a mass of ice.

FORMER GOVERNOR DEAD.
John Lee Carroll Was Maryland's Executive
from 1876 to 1880.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 27.—John Lee Carroll, governor of the state of Maryland from 1876 to 1880, died here to-day after a long illness. He was born at Homewood, near Baltimore, eighty years ago.

FISHING STEAMER SUNK
And Crew of Ten Were Drowned During
Last Week's Storm.

Cux Haven, Germany, Feb. 27.—The fishing steamer Senator Strack sank in the North sea during last week's storm, and the crew of ten perished.

WALKED ON PORCH ROOF.
Portsmouth, O., Feb. 27.—Walking off a porch roof while asleep, George H. Burgess, of Newburyport, Mass., sustained injuries last yesterday which resulted in his death. Mr. Burgess, who was 66 years old, had been visiting relatives here recently.**FIVE PEOPLE
LOST LIVES****In Fire Which Destroyed
Their Home Last Night****TWO HOUSES WERE BURNED****The Dead Were All Members of the
Family of Gabriel Gerotsky at
Oneida, Pa.—Other Family
Got Out Safely.**

Oneida, Pa., Feb. 27.—Fire during the night burned two houses here, occupied by Gabriel Gerotsky and Michael Slovak, Hungarians, and five members of the Gerotsky family lost their lives in the flames. The dead are Gabriel Gerotsky and four children. The Slovak family awakened in time and escaped from their home in safety.

**\$10,000 FIRE LOSS
AT RICHFORD****Plant Will Be Rebuilt, According to a
Statement of One of the Principal
Stockholders.**

Richford, Feb. 27.—The saw mill, clapboard mill and box shop of the Missisquoi Lumber company at Stevens mills, three miles north of this village, were burned Saturday afternoon, causing a loss estimated at \$10,000. The fire was discovered at noon and it started in the boxshop, from a cause which is not at present known. The principal stockholders are C. M. and F. R. Bright, and the latter stated to-day that the plant will be rebuilt. The insurance was \$7,500. The new station with 500-horse power engine was not damaged. The power from this station will be used this summer in running the machinery for the Quaker Oats company.

ROBBERIES IN BOSTON.
Several of Them Occurred Early Yesterday
Morning.

Boston, Feb. 27.—Jewelry, shoes, hardware and tailors' goods figured largely in burglaries committed early Sunday morning in the business district. Stores and offices on Avon, School and Water streets were the places selected by the thieves for their successful operations.

The strange gang of thieves which has been operating in the downtown office buildings during the past month, destroying much more property than has been stolen, performed its most extensive piece of work early Sunday morning on the premises of each of the 15 tenants above the ground floor of the Briggs building at the southerly corner of Washington and School streets.

While the police were unable to say last night how much had been taken, they were of the opinion that the property damage, which will reach several hundred dollars, will exceed the value of the stolen goods.

The gang left behind a long-handled screwdriver, probably used in jimmying doors, and a worn derby hat, which was exchanged for a better one in one of the offices from which several coats were taken also. Two safes containing money and property of considerable value were left unopened, while articles worth but little were carried off. In each of the six tailor shops in the building bolts of cloth or garments in process of making were slashed, while in the barber shop on the second floor the fragments of 10 razors were scattered about with bits of broken toilet water bottles.

**CANNOT EXTRADITE
ON LARCENY CHARGE****There is a Hitch in the Proceedings to
Bring Robert E. Davie from Brazil
Back to Boston.**

Boston, Feb. 27.—Robert E. Davie, the Boston "boy" broker, now under detention in Rio Janeiro, cannot be extradited under an indictment charging him with larceny, as such an offense is not included in the treaty with Brazil, according to a dispatch received by Governor Foss to-day from Secretary of State Knox. It is expected that Davie's case will be presented to the March grand jury for further consideration.

KILLED PLAYING COWBOY.
Boy 10 Years Old Shoots Companion Who
Pursues Him with Lasso.

Philadelphia, Feb. 27.—John Kelly, 15 years old, was shot and instantly killed yesterday by James Engle, 10 years old, while playing cowboy and Indian with a number of other boys near their homes in West Philadelphia.

Two of the older boys had purchased a small rifle and brought it to the lot. Young Engle, armed with this weapon, was being pursued by John Kelly with a lasso, when, according to witnesses, Engle, without looking, turned and fired. Kelly fell with a bullet through his heart.

SINGS AT HIS OWN FUNERAL.
Photographic Records Made by Man 88
Years Old Used in Services.

Owosso, Mich., Feb. 27.—A photograph furnished sacred music at the funeral yesterday in the Methodist church of William Henry Faxon, a nonagenarian, who lived near here. The records were made for the funeral by Mr. Faxon when he was 88 years old. Up to the time of his death he had an excellent tenor voice. He was prominent in church work.

GUILTY OF SELLING.**Mrs. Minnie Powers Was Fined \$300 in
Burlington.**

Burlington, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Minnie Powers of the Russell house pleaded guilty Saturday afternoon in Chittenden county court to an information charging her with selling intoxicating liquor illegally. She was fined \$300 and costs of \$8.75, which she paid. The information was filed February 13 by State's Attorney H. R. Shaw.

John Powers, the husband of Mrs. Powers and the proprietor of the Russell house, had an information charging the same offense filed against him on the same date. He pleaded not guilty Saturday, and his case will probably come up for trial at the March term of court. He has given bail in the sum of \$400.

Both of the informations are said to grow out of the Brown-Collins-Borette-Cote affair, the end of which is not yet in sight.

The special term of court was adjourned Saturday afternoon by Assistant Judges Quinn and Merriew, Judge W. W. Miles having returned to his home in Barton Friday afternoon.

**KILLED BY TRAIN
ON HIS WAY HOME****Bartley Sheridan of West Rutland Vic-
tim of Delaware & Hudson Track
Saturday Night.**

Rutland, Feb. 27.—Bartley Sheridan was hit by a Delaware & Hudson train at West Rutland Saturday night and when found a short time afterwards he was unconscious and died before medical aid could reach him.

Mr. Sheridan lived a short distance from the village and he was using the track for a sidewalk when the accident occurred. Sheridan was returning home after buying the groceries at one of the village stores. His body was found by George Gallagher and two other young men who happened along the track. They saw the dark spot and lighting a match discovered the body. Mr. Sheridan gasped a couple of times, but he did not regain consciousness.

He was a marble worker and a survivor by his wife, two children, a brother living in this city and a brother and two sisters living in Helena, Mont. The funeral will be held at St. Bridget's church in West Rutland Tuesday morning.

BONES OF SUPPOSED INDIAN
Dug Up Near Vergennes and Cause Great
Speculation.

Vergennes, Feb. 27.—Friday afternoon while workmen were engaged below the falls in excavating for the tail race for the Vergennes Power company, they dug up portions of the skeleton of a man. The bones were found eight feet below the river bottom just below the falls on the west side. About 20 bones in all including the skull have so far been found. It is thought that the skeleton has been in the place where it was found for no less than 75 years and perhaps much longer. From the formation of the skull it is thought that it was that of an Indian. The lower jaw is of an extraordinary width and size. The portions of the skeleton are now in the office of the Twitchell Lumber company, which has the contract to develop the water privilege on the falls belonging to the Vergennes Power company.

DIED AT THETFORD CENTER.
Charles T. Lucas, Aged 54, Was a Native
of the Place.

Manchester, N. H., Feb. 27.—Charles T. Lucas, died at his home in Thetford Center, Vt., of which town he was a native, Saturday afternoon, at the age of 54. He was a carpenter by trade, and several years ago was employed here by Harry A. Piper, the contractor. He is survived by a widow, a son, Wilfred, who is in the South, a daughter, Ola, and an aged mother. Several relatives by marriage, among whom is Dr. N. B. Webster, a nephew, reside in this city.

WAS NOT POISONING.
Mrs. Elizabeth Hanley Savage Died from
Natural Causes.

Burlington, Feb. 27.—According to a report submitted Saturday by Dr. B. H. Stone, of the Vermont state laboratory of hygiene, to State's Attorney Henry B. Shaw, on the autopsy performed on Mrs. Elizabeth Hanley Savage, who died suddenly some weeks ago, death occurred from natural causes and not from poisoning, as was intimated at the time of Mrs. Savage's death.

BUSINESS TROUBLES.
Carl D. Denmore, Granite Manufacturer,
Files at Rutland.

Rutland, Feb. 27.—A petition in bankruptcy has been filed with Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court by Carl D. Denmore of Barre, a granite manufacturer. His liabilities are \$4,245.94 and his assets amount to \$4,085, of which \$800 is claimed to be exempt.

TALK OF THE TOWN
Band rehearsal of Barre Citizens' band
this evening at 7:30. All members
requested to attend.

John Cunningham and Charles Cunningham of South Danville are passing a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Nelson of Merchant street.

The members of Riley's orchestra left to-day for Morrisville, where they will play for a dance to-night. The orchestra will also furnish music for a dance in Hardwick to-morrow night.

R. W. Hooker & company are having the interior of their store repainted and decorated. The company has recently added 3,000 feet of floor space in the basement of the block, which they have fitted up for a salesroom for dining room sets and beds.

Among arrivals at the City hotel yesterday and to-day were registered as follows: G. A. Gagnon, Boston; L. A. Hurston, Waterbury; L. A. Kelly, F. E. Loutre, Bradford; A. Cohen, Burlington; F. H. Mann, Woodsville, N. H.; J. E. Miles, Burlington; W. A. Davison, Burlington.

**FOURTH TERM
FOR BISBEE****Has Been Re-appointed as
Postmaster in Barre****NAME IS NOW IN SENATE****Since He Took Charge of the Office, the
Postal Receipts Have More Than
Doubled and Office Force Is
Largely Increased.**

Postmaster Edward W. Bisbee of the Barre post office has been re-appointed by President Taft to serve during the next four years, the name having been presented to the United States Senate on Friday. As there is no doubt of the confirmation of the appointment, this will make Mr. Bisbee's fourth commission as postmaster, he having first been appointed by President McKinley in 1899.

When Mr. Bisbee first took charge of the Barre office in February, 1899, the business was located in the vestry of the Universalist church, following a fire which destroyed the opera house building, where the government had its headquarters. On the completion of the present city hall, the government leased one of the front apartments and has since been located there, although the government has more than doubled the number of its employees since that time.

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To state that during Postmaster Bisbee's administration the postal receipts of the office have more than doubled the growth of the service here. Therefore, it should be stated that in 1899 there were only four clerks in the office; whereas there are now seven, not to mention a clerk on the substitute list. The four clerks in 1899 were paid an aggregate salary of \$1,800, and the seven clerks are now paid an aggregate salary of \$7,300. Also in 1899 there were only four city carriers, while now there are seven with comparative aggregate salaries of \$2,800 and \$7,200. This latter figure does not include a carrier on the substitute list.

In addition to that, the rural carrier service has been installed during Postmaster Bisbee's terms of office, and there are now four carriers in this branch of the service, with an aggregate salary of \$3,510. When it is considered that each member of this newer service and each one of the other additional city carriers requires a desk and that the equipment of the office has necessarily increased also, it is not to be wondered at that the service has been cramped for room, especially since the quarters are no larger now than when the post office was moved into the city building.

Scales are crowded under canceling machines, mail cases are jammed so near together that narrow lanes only are left for open space, etc. Under these handicaps, the efficiency of the office has not only been maintained, but has grown materially. Far greater efficiency is hoped for when the new federal building is ready for occupancy.

When Postmaster Bisbee first assumed the duties of his office, Miss Kate West was the assistant postmaster. Now that position is filled by Frank E. Robinson, who has been in the post office service here all through Mr. Bisbee's administration and many years before that.

OTHER VERMONT APPOINTMENTS.
The following other Vermont appointments were made at the same time Mr. Bisbee's name went before the Senate:

Roscoe M. Cowles to be postmaster at Albany, Vt. Office became presidential January 1, 1911.

Fred B. Hammond to be postmaster at North Troy, Vt., in place of John L. Lewis, resigned.

SAVED BY A TREE.
Otherwise Gitchell House Would Have
Gone Into River To-day.

The house which E. C. Gitchell is moving down State street in Montpelier to a location near the Green Mount cemetery, over which removal there was much dispute with city officials, nearly came to grief this forenoon when it was being dragged along by thirty-six horses. The house hit a telephone pole and then ricocheted against a tree, the latter obstruction alone preventing the structure from sliding into the river. Mr. Gitchell has decided now that he will put the house on rollers to convey it the 200 yards remaining of the trip.

WILLEY—BECKLEY.**Popular Fireman and Bride Couldn't
Elude Their Friends.**

Clyde E. Willey, driver of the hook and ladder truck of the fire department, and Miss Lena Beckley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Beckley of 10 Mount street, were united in marriage at 3:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon by Rev. Edward C. Downey at his residence on Orange street. Though the couple slipped away from their friends and were married unattended, they were attended very shortly afterwards by Chief Gladding and several of the firemen who had been on the alert all day that the couple might not get away without a farewell reception.

Before the ceremony was finished the fire team hitched to the practice sleigh was waiting outside the house, but the couple were not caught so easily. By the aid of the clergyman they went out a back door of the house and made a cross-country run to Ayers and then to McGowan's store on South Main street, where they were hidden in the rear of the store.

Their efforts to escape were in vain, however, as the firemen were informed by a small boy that the couple had skipped out the back door of the clergyman's house. The firemen soon surrounded the store and one going inside brought out the couple. They were then seated on the front seat of the sleigh and driven down through Main street to the Central Vermont station, where they took the train. The sleigh was decorated with banners on which was printed, "O. U. Willey, just married," and attracted no little attention as it passed through the city just at the time when the streets were crowded with people. In their hurry to leave the clergyman's house the couple left their grips but they were seen to the station, in time for the train, by the minister, Mr. and Mrs. Willey went to the home of his parents in Essex Junction, returning to this city last evening.

D. B. Colley, who lives near the Maynard home, is said to have telephoned Sheriff Tracy about the flight and Deputy Sheriff Lawson was sent to the house which is on the Northfield road. The officer arrested Maynard but failed to find Charbonneau. However, the officer remained at the house until 11 o'clock, when Charbonneau returned to his own home from Berlin corners, where he said he went after the fight. The officer took both men to the county jail where they were held until this morning when they were brought to this city and arraigned before Judge Scott as justice of the peace.

The warrants for the arrest of the two men were made out by Town Grand Juror R. W. Robinson and State's Attorney Carver. It is said that the men got drunk on hard cider which Maynard had at his home.

MANY FLORAL OFFERINGS
At Funeral of Francis E. Noonan Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Francis Edmund Noonan, the 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Charpentier of the Tomasi block, who died Friday night after a long illness, was held at St. Monica's church yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The services were largely attended, and the pastor, Rev. P. M. McKenna, officiated. The bearers were: John Tomasi, Paul Frenier, Dewey Stone and Paul Parisseau. The burial was held in the Catholic cemetery on Beckley street.

Many floral offerings testified to the place the boy's affectionate disposition had won in the hearts of his many friends. The pieces surrounding the casket were as follows: Carnations, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Choud; lilies, Mrs. Anna E. McGue; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Lagor; carnations, Mrs. Jna Eastman; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Langlois; carnations, Master George and Doris Bartlett; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dion; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Tacy; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. A. Tomasi and children; carnations, Lee Maiden; carnations, J. Smith and son, Ralph; crosses of mixed flowers, Canton Brothers and employees; family pillow of mixed flowers; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. J. Caybue; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Denning; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. J. Duncun; carnations, Mrs. Julia Kelly; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Nelson; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. Gearin; lilies, Mrs. J. F. Pilon; carnations and roses, Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Z. Archambault; carnations, Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy; carnations, Mrs. Mary Solari; lilies, Mrs. E. L. Labell and son, Harold.

HAD TWO OPERATIONS
But They Could Not Save Mrs. Caverazzi,
Who Died To-day.

Mrs. Amoreale Caverazzi died at 1:30 o'clock this morning at her home, 17 Third street. The cause of death was a tumor, with which she had been sick for the last eight months and during which time she had undergone two operations. The deceased was born in Italy 33 years ago and came to Barre to live eight years ago. Besides her husband she leaves two children. All of her relatives are in Italy. The funeral will be held from the house Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment will be in the Hope cemetery.

FUNERAL ON SUNDAY
Of Batista Cattaneo, Who Died Suddenly
Last Friday Afternoon.

The funeral of Batista Cattaneo, who died suddenly Friday afternoon, was held from the house on Sixth street at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. There was a large attendance of friends and many beautiful flowers decked the casket. The pall bearers were Attilio Polli, Antonio Osella, Giovanni Abbiati, Frank Abbiati, Giovanni Pedrol and F. C. Colombo. The interment was in the Hope cemetery.

STATE-WIDE CAMPAIGN
To Be Carried on by the Universalist
Convention.

In accordance with a vote taken at the last quarterly meeting of the year 1910 of the executive committee of the Universalist convention of Vermont and the province of Quebec, held in this city, to establish convention Sunday as a part of the church calendar, yesterday was observed as such.

Practically every pastor in the state vacated his pulpit for some other; four members of the executive board of the state convention and a number of other laymen were called to assist in places where there is no pastor; and to every congregation the work and plans of the state board were presented.

Special attention will be placed this year upon church membership and the increase of the ministry. A state-wide campaign will be carried on for six weeks preceding Easter.

WAS OLD MERCHANT.
George W. Maynard Died This Morning
of Paralysis.

Sheldon, Feb. 27.—George W. Maynard, a merchant here for many years, died this morning of paralysis. He had been a resident of Sheldon since 1877 and was in the mercantile business up to 1889 under the firm name of Weed & Maynard and from 1889 under Maynard & Marsh. On selling his interest in that business he started in the hardware business in this place.

**BOTH VERMONT
FOR FIGHTING****Two Berlin Men Were Ar-
raigned Before Justice Scott****THEY PLEADED GUILTY****William Maynard and Albert Charbon-
neau Celebrated the Birthday of
the Former's Mother
Too Violently.**

William Maynard and Gilbert Charbonneau, brothers-in-law, who reside in the town of Berlin were arraigned before Judge Scott, as justice, this forenoon on the charges of breach of the peace, to which both pleaded guilty and paid fines and costs which amounted to \$15.54 in each case. It is said that the two men became intoxicated at Maynard's home Saturday afternoon while celebrating the birthday anniversary of Maynard's mother. A quarrel between the two men followed with the result that they came to blows and some furniture in the house was smashed. Mrs. Maynard became alarmed and telephoned to the neighbors for help.

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**BULLET FLEW NEAR
YOUNG MAN'S HEAD****Montpelier Police Are Mystified About
Discharge of a Rifle in Their City
Last Evening.**

A mysterious rifle discharge on North Franklin street, Montpelier, last evening resulted in the arrest of George Whelan, a man who has lodgings in the Tomasi block in Montpelier, to be held on the charge of intoxication. The rifle bullet passed through the wall of Barney McKenna's house on North Franklin street and passed close by the head of Charles McKenna, who was sitting in the room. The bullet then lodged in the wall, where it was later found. The bullet was of the steel-jacketed variety.

Shortly after the firing of the weapon, the police were notified and they went to the neighborhood, together with Grand Juror Gleason. The party searched the house of a man named Safford nearby, and in an upper room they found Whelan. They also found a revolver, and Safford told the officers that Whelan had shown him the weapon earlier in the evening.

Up to the present time, however, there is nothing to connect Whelan with the firing of the rifle. There is no clue to the reason for the disturbance. Pending an investigation, Whelan was charged with intoxication.

THREE RAIDS IN EAST BARRE.
Were Made by Barre Deputy Sheriffs
Saturday Night.

On warrants issued by State's Attorney J. Ward Carver